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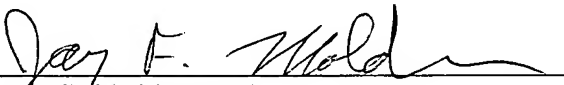
This application is the entry into the national phase in the United States concerning International Application No. PCT/GB2004/004104. That application was filed with a number of multiply dependent claims. Included were a number of multiply dependent claims, which are themselves dependent from other multiply dependent claims. As such a claim structure is not allowed in the United States, applicant takes this opportunity to remove all multiple dependencies from the claims.

Prompt and favorable examination of pending claims 1-30 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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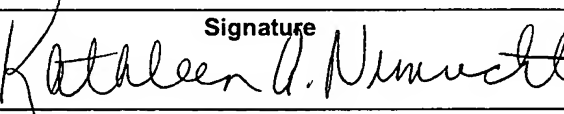

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